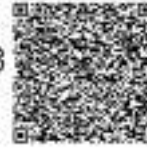


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**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND  
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-27571-2024 (O&amp;M)

Date of decision: 29.01.2026

Arif Gani @ Arif

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present:- Mr. Sukhbir Maandi, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Roshandeep Singh, AAG, Punjab.

**MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)**

1. The instant petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. for quashing of order dated 02.12.2023 (Annexure P-7), passed by the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Malerkotla in case arising out of FIR No. 139 dated 10.09.2016, registered under Sections 420 and 120-B of IPC at Police Station City-1 Malerkotla, whereby the petitioner had been declared a proclaimed person.

2. After advancing arguments at length, learned counsel for the petitioner could not point out any lacuna in the impugned order. However, he has submitted that since the petitioner is ready to join the Court proceedings, he may be directed to surrender before the learned trial Court.

3. Keeping in view the limited prayer made by the petitioner and the fact that he is ready to join the Court proceedings which would obviously help in speedy conclusion of trial, the present petition is disposed of. The petitioner is directed to surrender before the learned trial Court within a period of 15

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days from today and on doing so, the learned trial Court shall release him on bail, subject to his furnishing fresh personal/surety bonds to its satisfaction.

4. However, this relief shall be subject to payment of cost of Rs. 20,000/-, to be deposited by the petitioner with the District Legal Services Authority, concerned.

29.01.2026  
*Waseem Ansari*

(MANISHA BATRA)  
JUDGE

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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether reportable</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |